

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chair Seth Berglee, on February 17, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 137
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Seth Berglee, Chair (R)
Rep. Jeff Essmann, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Moffie Funk, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Fred Anderson (R)
Rep. Becky Beard (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Greg Hertz (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Sue Vinton (R)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Amanda Curtis (D)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Casey Schreiner (D)
Rep. Lola Sheldon-Galloway (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Riffel, Committee Secretary
Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: HB 253, HB 274, HB 381, HB 382

00:01:15 Recessed
00:21:50 Reconvened with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Price and Rep. Sheldon-Galloway present

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 253

00:22:27 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 253 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:23:11 Rep. Funk
00:24:03 Rep. Anderson
00:24:33 Rep. Bachmeier

00:24:52 **Vote:** Motion failed 7-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner and Rep. Webber voting aye. Rep. Schreiner voted by proxy.

00:25:59 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 253 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED.** Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 274

00:26:15 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 274 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:26:25 Laura Sankey Keip, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
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00:26:51 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 274 BE AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:27:11 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD
00:28:09 Rep. Staffanson
00:28:37 Rep. P. Webb
00:28:44 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD
00:28:59 Rep. Curtis
00:29:50 Rep. Funk
00:30:47 Chair Berglee

00:30:57 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Schreiner voted by proxy.

00:31:32 Rep. G. Hertz

00:32:11 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 274 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:32:23 Rep. Essmann

00:33:29 **Substitute Motion:** Rep. Curtis moved to **POSTPONE ACTION ON HB 274 UNTIL WEDNESDAY THE 22ND OF FEBRUARY.**

Discussion:

00:33:56 Rep. Vinton
00:34:05 Rep. Curtis
00:34:20 Rep. G. Hertz

00:34:44 **Vote:** Motion failed 8-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Vinton and Rep. Webber voting aye. Rep. Schreiner voted by proxy.

00:35:49 Rep. Schreiner joins the meeting

00:36:04 Rep. Staffanson
00:36:23 Rep. G. Hertz
00:36:35 Laura Sankey Keip. LSD
00:36:56 Rep. Funk
00:37:30 Rep. G. Hertz

00:37:39 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Staffanson made a substitute motion that **HB 274 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 9-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Bachmeier, Rep. Bennett, Rep. Curtis, Rep. Funk, Rep. Price, Rep. Schreiner, Rep. Vinton and Rep. Webber voting no.

00:38:42 Rep. Schreiner left the meeting

00:39:00 Rep. Funk

00:39:42 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Funk moved to **REQUEST A NEW AMENDED FISCAL NOTE FOR HB 274**. Motion carried 16-1 by voice vote with Rep. G. Hertz voting no. Rep. Schreiner voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 381

00:40:33 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 381 DO PASS**. Motion carried 14-3 by roll call vote with Rep. Berglee, Rep. Staffanson and Rep. Vinton voting no. Rep. Schreiner voted by proxy.

00:41:51 Rep. Schreiner joined the meeting

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 382

00:41:56 **Motion:** Rep. Essmann moved that **HB 382 DO PASS**.

Discussion:

00:42:06 Laura Sankey Keip, LSD
00:42:45 Rep. Funk
00:43:33 Rep. Anderson
00:44:25 Rep. P. Webb
00:44:45 Rep. Essmann
00:45:58 Chair Berglee
00:46:24 Rep. Funk

00:47:08 Rep. Sheldon-Galloway
00:47:32 Rep. Curtis
00:48:12 Rep. Funk
00:48:57 Rep. B. Bennett
00:50:32 Rep. Anderson
00:51:07 Rep. Beard
00:51:46 Chair Berglee
00:52:29 Rep. Funk

00:53:05 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Essmann made a substitute motion that **HB 382 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 16-1 by voice vote with Rep. Schreiner voting no.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:53:50

Jessica Riffel, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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